IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A compound of the general Formula 1, a salt thereof, or a tritiated derivative thereof:

$$\mathbb{R}^{1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{N}^{2} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2} \longrightarrow \mathbb{N}^{2} \longrightarrow \mathbb{N}^{3} \longrightarrow \mathbb{N}^{4} \longrightarrow \mathbb{N}^{5} \longrightarrow \mathbb{N}^{6}$$

$$(I)$$

wherein:

R¹ is selected from H and or C₂-C₆ -acyl;

 R^2 , R^3 , R^4 and R^5 are independently selected from H and or C_1 - C_6 -alkyl and at least one of among R^2 , R^3 , R^4 and R^5 is C_1 - C_6 -alkyl;

 R^6 is selected-from OH and or NR^7R^8 wherein R^7 and R^8 are independently selected from H and or C_1 - C_6 -alkyl; and salts and tritiated derivatives thereof.

Claim 2 (Original): A compound according to claim 1, wherein R¹ is C₂-C₆-acyl.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A compound according to claim 1, wherein R¹ is selected from the group consisting of formyl, acetyl, propionoyl and butyroyl.

Claim 4 (Original): A compound according to claim 1, wherein R¹ is acetyl.

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Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A compound according to claim 1, wherein the stereochemistry at all the α -carbon atoms is $\frac{L}{2}$; $\frac{L}{2}$.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A compound according to claims 1 to 5 claim 1, wherein R^6 is NR^7R^8 and wherein R^7 and R^8 are independently selected from H and or C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, and the stereochemistry at all the α -carbon atoms is L.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A compound according to any one of the preceding claims claim 1, wherein R⁶ is NH₂.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A compound according to any one of the preceding elaims claim 1, wherein R² is H; R⁴ and R⁵ are independently selected from H and or methyl.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A compound according to any one of the preceding elaims claim 1, wherein R³ is methyl.

Claim 10 (Original): A compound according to claim 9, wherein \mathbb{R}^2 , \mathbb{R}^4 and \mathbb{R}^5 are H.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A compound of claim 9 wherein R^4 and R^5 are methyl; and R^2 is H.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A compound of claim 9 wherein R^5 is methyl; and R^2 and R^4 are H.

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Claim 13 (Currently Amended): A compound of claim 9 wherein R⁴ is methyl; and R² and R⁵ is H.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): A compound according to any one of the preceding elaims claim 1 selected from the following group consisting of:

Ac-Leu-Pro-N(Me)-Phe-Phe-Asp-NH₂,

Ac-Leu-Pro-Phe-N(Me)-Phe-Asp-NH2,

Ac-Leu-Pro-Phe-N(Me)-Phe-N(Me)-Asp-NH₂,

Ac-Leu-Pro-N(Me)-Phe-Phe-N(Me)-Asp-NH₂,

Ac-Leu-Pro-N(Me)-Phe-N(Me)-Phe-Asp-NH₂,

Ac-Leu-Pro-N(Me)-Phe-N(Me)-Phe-N(Me)-Asp-NH₂, and

Ac-Leu-[3H]Pro-N(Me)-Phe-Phe-Asp-NH2.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): A compound according to any one of the preceeding claims for use as claim 1, comprised in a medicament.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): A pharmaceutical composition comprising a <u>said</u> compound according to <u>claim 1</u>, any one of claims 1 to 14, and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, diluent or carrier.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): Use of a compound according to any one of claims

1 to 14 for the manufacture of a medicament A method for treating or preventing the

treatment or prevention of a disease or condition selected from the group consisting of

Alzheimer's disease, Dementia pugilistica (including head trauma), Hereditary Cerebral

Haemorrhage with amyloidosis of the Dutch type (HCHWA-D) and vascular dementia with

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amyloid angiopathy; said method comprising administering said compound as claimed in claim 1 to a patient in need thereof in an amount effective to treat or prevent said disease.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): Use The method according to claim 17, wherein the said disease is said Alzheimer's disease.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): Use of a compound according to any one of claims

1-to 14, for the preparation of a medicament A method for treating the treatment of a disease associated with abnormal protein folding into amyloid and amyloid-like deposits.

said method comprising administering said compound as claimed in claim 1 to a patient in need thereof in an amount effective to treat said disease.